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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 29, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application. A shortened statutory period for filing a response to the Office Action is set to expire on January 31, 2005. Reconsideration of this case is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-3, 28, 29 and 34 have been amended, claims 41-46 have been added.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 15 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing Figure 1 is attached following page 19 of this paper.

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